

EDITORS ENLIST IN GOOD ROADS CAUSE

Support of Country Papers Is Pledged to Issue, Which Is Regarded as Great Need.

JOURNAL BITTERLY SCORED

Attack Over Printing of Delinquent Tax Lists Is Considered Unjust. C. E. Ingalls, of Corvallis, Is Elected President.

ALBANY, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—With 20 editors present from almost all sections of the valley, the Willamette Valley Editorial Association in session here today went on record in favor of the \$6,000,000 road bond measure. Many of the editors announced their intention of supporting the bond issue in their newspapers and without a dissenting vote the Association adopted the following resolution: "Resolved, That newspaper publishers, heartily indorse the good roads legislation enacted by the recent Legislature and urge that the proposed bond issue be adopted as one of the most progressive measures for the material welfare of this state that could be adopted."

The only other resolution adopted at the meeting bitterly arraigns the Portland Journal for its attacks on the country press in connection with its stand on the publication of delinquent tax lists. In discussing this matter various editors condemned the Journal in unmeasured terms. C. E. Ingalls, of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, and president of the Association in the annual election of officers, and Elbert Bede, of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, was re-elected secretary. Marchfield was chosen as the place for the next meeting, in September. The association decided to co-operate with the department of Journalism of the University of Oregon to endeavor to promote better methods of management. Under the direction of the department the various newspapers will install a cost system plan for one month and the results of the experiment will be reported to the school for comparison and suggestion. With a strong programme today's meeting was one of the best held by the association.

Freelance Papers Opposed. E. E. Brodie, of the Oregon City Enterprise, and president of the State Editorial Association, was one of the principal speakers, urging better cooperation among the newspapers. He was one of those who bitterly condemned the attack the Journal had made on country newspapers. Mr. Ingalls spoke on "Party Organization by Newspapers," and advocated partisan newspapers and portrayed their mission. He opposed the independent newspaper idea. Bruce Dennis, of La Grande, who is directing the publicity campaign for the road bond issue, made a stirring talk in behalf of the road legislation, which met with manifest approval. George Turnbull, of the Department of Journalism of the University of Oregon, spoke on "Small Shop Bookkeeping," and other speakers were E. Hofer, of the Oregon Manufacturers of Portland, and George H. Baxter, of the Creswell Chronicle.

Attack Laid to Spite. The full text of the resolution adopted by the association regarding the Portland Journal follows: Whereas, During the recent session of the Legislature the Oregon state made a contemptible fight on the country press of this state; and Whereas, We believe the fight was a purely selfish proposition on its part, conceived in spite and born in hypocrisy, and Whereas, In the course of its prosecution we believe it has maliciously libeled and misrepresented the state by printing false statements of reference to the publication of the delinquent tax lists; and Whereas, Its campaign was inimical to the public welfare and against the best interests of the state of Oregon; Therefore, We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to stand behind any newspaper member of this organization that considers the Journal's campaign important enough to settle them by legal process.

FIRE PLAN IS DEBATED

E. J. HAYES ARGUES IN BEHALF OF TWO-PLATOON SYSTEM.

Fire Marshal Stevens Tells Civic League Members That Adoption Would Mean Inefficiency.

The opposition to the two-platoon system in the Fire Department on the ground that it had failed in other cities, was attacked by E. J. Hayes, in charge of the campaign, in his address at the luncheon of the Civic League yesterday. Where the system has failed, Mr. Hayes said, it was because of politics, and not because of inefficiency in the operation of the Fire Department. He declared that a tax of three-tenths of a mill would be sufficient to put on the system with 93 additional men, which he held to be all that would be needed to make the new plan effective. Fire Marshal Jay Stevens denied that the system could be installed this, and declared that it would take at least 271 new men. He maintained that the two-platoon system could not be handled effectively, and pointed out the great fire in Pittsburg, in January, as an example of the results of inefficiency of this kind. New York, Chicago, and other large cities have abandoned it, he said, and are trying to get out from under its effects as fast as possible. He recommended instead of a two-platoon system, a system of one day off in three, about twice each year, with an increase in the salary of the firemen to \$150 a month, if necessary.

W. A. Williams and Robert Strong also spoke in opposition to the change. Mr. Williams declared that in no other city had a two-platoon system been put up similar to the one proposed for Portland.

New Bridge at Aberdeen Assured. ABERDEEN, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—The Elliott bridge, east of the city, on the Olympic Highway, is to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$2,100 by the city. The contract for the improvement has been let and work on the new structure will start soon. The present bridge, which is declared to be approaching a dangerous condition, will be left in place until the new structure is completed.

SIX MEMBERS OF NEW CONSOLIDATION COMMISSION APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE.



Herman Von Borstel, Portland.



T. J. Scroggin, La Grande.



A. J. Johnson, Corvallis.



Charles Rudeen, Portland.



Frank Patton, Astoria.



John H. Carking, Medford.

MERGER TASK GIVEN

Governor Selects Board to Suggest Consolidations.

ACT FOLLOWS DEADLOCK

Appointment of Commission Authorized by Last Session, When All Efforts to Prevent Duplication Were Blocked.

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Now as to consolidation, economy and efficiency as they may find feasible, to the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly; and that said commission serve without compensation, but that the actual expense while away from home on official business and other necessary expenses, including stenographic and legal hire, incurred by said commission be paid from the amount appropriated for the payment of the general and contingent expenses of the Twenty-ninth regular session of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon not to exceed the sum of \$2500.

ALBANY TO GREET FARMERS

All-Day Conference at Institute Is Set for Wednesday.

ALBANY, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—An all-day conference and outgrowth of the institute will be held in Albany.

EARLY RESIDENT OF DUNDEE DIES AT AGE OF 85.

M. M. Edwards.

DUNDEE, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—M. M. Edwards, 85, for 87 years a resident of Dundee, died yesterday morning at the home of his son, Henry Edwards. Mr. Edwards was born in Illinois and was married to Miss Mary E. Bartles in 1855. The family crossed the plains with a team in 1849 and located at Dundee. He was closely associated with the early history of Dundee. He was a champion of woman suffrage and a staunch Republican, having enjoyed the personal friendship of President Lincoln, and retained until a short time ago, a sugar bowl that he purchased from "Honest Abe" when the latter was a clerk in a country store. This relic was given to the youngest son, John S. Edwards, a short time ago.

Students Self-Supporting. AMMINVILLE, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—A recent inquiry revealed the fact that in a student body numbering 250 about 81 per cent are working their way either wholly or in part; 14.6 per cent are entirely dependent upon their own efforts for their education; 6.6 per cent are helping earn their way by working whenever they can.

FAIR PRIZES INCREASED

TEXTILE, ART AND MANUFACTURE ARE TO BE ENCOURAGED.

Money Awards to Be Made in Several Classes for First Time by Oregon State Board.

SALEM, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—While livestock and agriculture will be given the big swing at the State Fair premium list this year, textile, art, manufactures and other departments will not be overlooked. Manufacturers, in particular, are to be inducted as never before at the fair. "In the past the manufacturers having exhibits at the fair have been awarded with Oregon diplomas," said Secretary Lee. "This year we intend to add some money prizes for these exhibits, which will be an additional inducement to the exhibitors. This is something never hitherto done, and I believe we will have the greatest manufacturing exhibit showing in the history of the fair."

"Of course, our main endeavor will be to advance the interests of livestock and agriculture. Dairy cattle premiums have been increased more than \$400 a class; hogs, sheep and other kinds of livestock have been advanced accordingly. "The agriculture exhibits will have an increase of \$2000 in premium money over the past. The main hope of the board is that good weather will greet us the entire week of the fair. If it does we can succeed in giving these additional premiums. I am certain that the fair will eclipse anything attempted in the past and that the additional inducements we are offering will bring to the fair the best exhibits ever seen in the state."

PUPILS ATTEND TRIAL

MAPLETON CHILDREN GET OBJECT LESSON ON DISTURBERS.

Man Who Interrupted Church Services Is Convicted by Jury and Also by Students.

EUGENE, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—All the public school children of Mapleton, Western Lane county, have been brought into court, not for trial, but as a discipline, according to word received in Eugene this afternoon. Rev. R. H. Reed, pastor of the United Evangelical Church, complained that there had been too much talking in church during services. The principal cause of disturbance was chatter of boys and girls, but an employee of a sawmill at Mount Terrace talked out in meeting improperly last Sunday night and Mr. Reed caused his arrest Monday.

The case was set for hearing before Justice of the Peace Joe Morris, the defendant demanding a jury. Morris decided to afford an excellent opportunity to impress the younger generation with the importance of good behavior at a public meeting, so when he summoned a jury he also summoned the public school children, who turned out en masse.

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ASHLAND TO DECORATE

ELECTRIC EFFECTS WILL BE USED AT ROUNDUP JULY 3-5.

Council Authorizes Purchase of Stringers and Unusual Features Are Being Arranged.

ASHLAND, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—The City Council has authorized the purchase of several thousand feet of electric light stringers to be used for illumination in the streets during the roundup and celebration here on July 3, 4 and 5 and which will be left up for illumination upon all special occasions.

The committee which will have charge of the illuminative features of the celebration is working out a number of unique plans for electrical effects, both on the streets and in Lithia Park. Lithia Park is in itself an electrical fairland during the Summer months, hundred-foot trees strung with lights, searchlights and colored lights in the foliage everywhere making the park at night almost as popular a mecca of pleasure seekers as in the daytime.

DRAIN HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN AND BOY SCOUT DIES.

Charles Edward Petersen.

DRAIN, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Charles Edward Petersen, a member of the freshman class of Drain High School, who died last Sunday, was buried Tuesday, services being held at the Methodist Episcopal Church by the Christian Endeavor and Sunday school of the town. Mr. Petersen was born at the Umpqua Life-saving Station April 25, 1901. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Petersen. He is survived by two sisters and a brother, besides his parents. He was a member of the Christian Endeavor and Sunday school of the Boy Scouts.

BRANCH FALLS ON MOTOR

Peter E. Stream, of Hoquiam, Has Narrow Escape in Storm.

HOQUIAM, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Peter E. Stream, of this city, one of the owners of the East Hoquiam Shingle Company, had a narrow escape from death yesterday on the Olympia Highway, about seven miles northwest of Hoquiam, when a snag from a dead tree was blown down on his auto. The snag crashed in the top of the car and struck Mr. Stream on the head, rendering him unconscious for about half an hour.

Mr. Stream was also in the car, escaped unhurt.

BAXTON'S SUCCESSOR NAMED.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—A. J. Demorest, of Harrisburg, has accepted the position of cashier of the First National Bank of this city, made vacant by the sudden disappearance of Earl O. Buxton a few weeks ago, and will take up his duties about April 1. Mr. Demorest had been cashier of the Farmers and Merchants Bank, of Harrisburg, for three years past and is a man of wide experience.

FORCED BY GRATITUDE

OF HUNDREDS OF HUNDREDS

To Repeat His Offer of Feb. 18 in Portland Sunday Oregonian.

I have been so moved the past few weeks by the gratitude of Portland Sunday Oregonian readers that I have decided to make again the offer which I made in the February 18 issue. This is what I said: "Give Away a Free Treatment for Deafness, to every sufferer who asks for it." "The thousands of requests have poured in; letters of grateful thanks have also poured in from all parts of the continent, the people suffering from that terrible affliction—Deafness—saying: "A letter from the Far West says, 'Allow me to thank you for the treatment you gave me. A good hearing has been restored to me.' A letter from New England says, 'bless the name of the doctor, for you have cured me of Deafness.'"

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